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Polynucleotide Encoding A Polypeptide

Having Heparanase Activity And Expression of Same in Genetically

Modified Cells

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the United States Patent and Trademark Office Action Office Action mailed May 12, 2006, which response is being made on or before August 12, 2006. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 5. Remarks begin on page 9.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: